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E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT: SOUTH AFRICAN NUCLEAR DEVELOPMENTS

REF: STATE 186804

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WHILE NOT IN A POSITION TO COMMENT ON THEM AT THIS TIME, WE
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